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MEMORANDUM FOR : [REDACTED]
SUBJECT : Face-plate Latches

1. I have read with interest your memo of 10 May (SAPC-15609) regarding the present status of face-plates throughout the three detachments. Apparently none of our face-plates have been tempered with except those presently used by the LAC pilots. This brings to mind the following question: I understand that LAC is devising new hasp assemblies for latching the face-plates. To my knowledge no one on the project staff has authorized them to do this. I will check with the Project Director and if he has not authorized this, I see no reason for us to modify our present equipment.

2. I believe the program you have initiated, i.e. to check each face-plate on the console prior to use by the pilot, will greatly minimize the possibility of face-plate failure during flight or following flame-out.

3. If any further information reaches you regarding this particular item, I wish you would bring it to my immediate attention.

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Deputy Project Director

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